

REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Applicant: QIU

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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR

CHARACTERIZING SUBSCRIBER LOOP BASED ON ANALYSIS OF DSL HANDSHAKING SIGNALS AND FOR OPTIMIZATION OF DSL

OPERATION

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AMENDMENT and RESPONSE to September 1, 2005 Final Office Action

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.